REQUEST Application Number 10/715,568 FOR Confirmation Number 5060 CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) Filing Date November 19, 2003 TRANSMITTAL Setsuo MISHIMA First Named Inventor MAIL STOP RCE Group Art Unit 1742 Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Kathleen A. McNelis Examiner Name Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, Matter Number O78557 MARAGING STEEL AND METHOD OF provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995 Title PRODUCING THE SAME This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. 1. SUBMISSION REQUIRED UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 a. □ Previously submitted Please enter and consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on ii. 🔲 iii. 🗆 b. Enclosed i, ✓ Amendment/Reply ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) iii. 🗆 Information Disclosure Statements (IDS) iv. Petition for Extension of Time v. Other 2. MISCELLANEOUS Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of months b. Other 3. FEES A check for the RCE statutory fee of \$790.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached. CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS Direct all correspondence to the address for SUGHRUE MION, PLLC filed under the Customer Number listed below: WASHINGTON OFFICE 23373 CUSTOMER NUMBER SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY Name Pater D. Mex Registration No. 24,513

Date July 26, 2007

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